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GASKET FOR PRE-FILLED SYRINGE AND PRE-FILLED SYRINGE

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Washington, D.C. 20231

BOX PCT APPLICATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. A gasket [used] for a pre-filled syringe into which liquid is charged, wherein a peripheral side surface of the gasket that is in contact with an inner surface of the syringe barrel is provided with a restriction, and a periphery of a bottom surface of the gasket that is not in contact with the liquid is formed into a tapered shape.

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